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**This Guidance Notice only applies to vessels that were operating commercially on 30 June 2013**

# Requirements for survey and manning exempt fishing vessels Class 3C and 3B less than 6.2 metres in length and operating within 5 nautical miles of a mother vessel which is operating beyond 5 nautical miles of the coast

**Fishing Tour Operators are Class 2 vessels and are not covered by this Guidance Note.**

In accordance with amendments to Sections 23 and 75 of the NT Marine Act which came into force on the 2nd April 2001:

“Fishing vessels less than 6.2 metres in length that are operating in conjunction with a mother vessel and are within a limit of 5 nautical miles of the mother vessel” are not required to be in survey nor be operated by a coxswain, however, they are required to carry safety equipment as detailed below.

Under Sections 96 to 101; 109 to 115 B and 117, the non-carriage of specified safety equipment and operating an unsafe vessel are offences and penalties apply

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| **Bailer**One with lanyard of minimum 4 litre capacity |
| **Bilge alarm**One to be fitted in any space containing inboard propelling machinery. (Not required on vessels powered by outboard motors.) |
| **Bilge pumps**One bilge pump of at least 4000 litres per hour capacity |
| **Charts and nautical publications**To be suitable for the area of operation of vessel |
| **Clock**Clock or wristwatch |
| **Code flags**Flags “N” and “C” |
| **Compass**At least one (1) hand held |
| **Depth sounding device**Mechanical depth sounding device or hand lead line |
| **Distress signals**Three parachute distress rocketsTwo red hand flaresOne hand held orange smoke signalNote: Expiry date of rockets and flares must be valid. |
| **Electric installation/equipment – emergency**At least one torch |
| **Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB)**406 MHz EPIRB to AS/NZS 4208 requirements.Note: Expiry date of battery must be valid. |
| **Gas detector**For LPG installations a gas detector shall be fitted with sensors as close as possible to the source of entry below deck. |
| **Lifebuoys**One lifebuoy with light |
| **Life jackets**SOLAS life jacket with light and whistle for every person. |
| **Navigation lights and shapes**A white light visible all round and separate or combined sidelights. The white all round light shall be carried at least 1 metre above the sidelights. Vessels with maximum speed not exceeding 7 knots need not exhibit separate or combined sidelights. |
| **Medicines and medical stores**Scale GSee appendix |
| **Radiotelephony**VHF Walkie talkie to communicate with mother ship.Must be checked by radio surveyor during mother vessel radio installation survey. |
| **Remote stops for other machinery**To be provided for oil fuel, lubricating oil and hydraulic oil pumps and also separators. |
| **Signalling light**A signalling light or suitable approved torch fitted with a flashing button in addition to an ON/OFF button. An ordinary torch is NOT acceptable. |
| **Sound signal**Portable sound signal. |
| **Windlass, anchors and cables**One Danforth or CQR Anchor OF minimum 17 LBS attached to 3 m of 8mm chain attached to 70 metres of 12 mm rope. Reef anchor if carried will be in addition to above. |
| **Operational and safety procedure handbooks**Operational and Safety procedure handbooks developed by owners / operators/ NTFIC in conjunction with appropriate individuals and organisations must be kept on board. |
| **Internal buoyancy**Minimum manufacturers standard internal buoyancy. If vessel is not a standard production model, the owner must fit buoyancy to Appendix N Section 10 of USL Code. |
| **Heliograph**One heliograph |
| **Work vest**One number work vest to AS 1499 must be worn at all times by every person on board. |
| **Drinking water**At least 5 litres of freshwater per day per person must be carried. |
| **Watertight containe**One watertight buoyant container for carrying small gear like flares, heliograph. |

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## Appendix

### Medicines and medical stores – Scale G

| **Description** | **Quantity** | **Expiry dated** | **Comments** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Bandage, conforming 5 cm | 1 |  | secure dressing and support |
| Bandage, conforming 10 cm | 1 |  | secure dressing and support |
| Bandage, heavy crepe 7.5 cm | 2 |  | support bandage |
| Bandage, triangular | 4 |  | sling |
| Dressing, combine 10 x 10 cm, sterile | 3 | Yes | bleeding control |
| Dressing, combine 10 x 20 cm, sterile | 2 | Yes | bleeding control, large |
| Dressing, non-adherent (10 x 10 cm or similar) | 5 | Yes | wound cover |
| Dressing, hydroactive (10 x 10 cm or similar) | 1 | Yes | blisters, burns and minor |
| Wound dressing, combination, large | 2 |  | Major wounds |
| Wound dressing, combination, small | 2 |  | Major wounds |
| Adhesive roll non-woven fabric 5 cm x 10 m | 1 |  | securing dressings |
| Dressings, elastic fabric strips | 50 |  | minor wound cover |
| Gauze swabs, sterile (single use pkt of 3) | 3 | Yes | cleansing/dressing wound |
| Eye pad, sterile | 2 | Yes | eye cover |
| Wound closure strips, wide, 6 x 38 mm | 1 | Yes | securing wound sides |
| Tape surgical waterproof 2.5 cm x 5 m | 1 |  | Secure dressing |
| Tape surgical waterproof 5 cm x 5 m | 1 |  | Secure dressing |
| Towels, disposable, pkt of 2 | 2 |  |  |
| Plastic bag set (3 asst L, M and S) | 1 |  | Amputated parts |
| Plastic bag | 2 |  | disposal of soiled dressings |
| Gloves, disposable, large | 10 |  |  |
| Safety pins, stainless, assorted pkt of 12 | 1 |  |  |
| Blanket, emergency thermal | 1 |  | Hypothermia and shock |
| Ice pack, instant | 1 |  |  |
| Resuscitation mask, disposable | 1 |  |  |
| Splinter probes, sterile, disposable | 5 |  |  |
| Splinter forceps, 12.5 cm | 1 |  |  |
| Shears, stainless, 19 cm minimum | 1 |  |  |
| Splint malleable, universal | 1 |  |  |
| Normal saline, sterile 30 ml polyamp | 6 | Yes | eye irrigation / wound cleaning |
| Povidone iodine swabs (single use) | 10 | Yes | Antiseptic |
| Anaesthetic + antiseptic cream 30 g | 1 | Yes |  |
| Paracetamol 500 mg tabs or caps | 24 | Yes | mild pain relief |
| Hyoscine hydrobromide 0.3mg tablets | 10 | Yes | Seasickness |
| Loperimide 2mg tablets | 16 | Yes | diarrhoea |
| Antacid tablets | 12 | Yes |  |
| CPR instruction chart or card | 1 |  |  |
| Australian First Aid Book | 1 |  |  |